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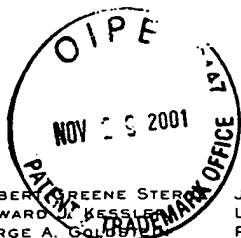
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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 09/617,116; Filed: July 14, 2000  
For: **Folypolyglutamyl Synthetase Gene Transfer to Enhance Antifolate  
Drug Sensitivity**  
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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111; and
2. Return Postcard.

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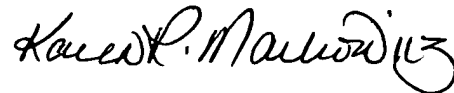


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Respectfully submitted,

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